

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

SJR 106

April 2, 2015

SUMMARY OF BILL: Encourages local education agencies (LEAs) to require each student in kindergarten through fifth grade to participate in a physical education (P.E.) class at least two times each week. Encourages such classes to be taught by a licensed teacher with an endorsement in physical education or a specialist in physical education. LEAs that elect to adopt such an education program are also encouraged to only exempt students from a physical education class who have received a written certification from their physician.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase Local Expenditures \$2,827,400/Permissive

Assumptions:

- The fiscal impact assumes that the action encouraged by this resolution will be implemented and reflects the cost of implementation.
- No change in the Basic Education Program (BEP) funding formula.
- Some LEAs that choose to implement new P.E. classes will be able to restructure their class schedules or make other changes without an increase in local expenditures.
- Any increase in local expenditures for new teachers will be permissive.
- Based on statistics from the Department of Education (DOE) and taking into account the likelihood that districts will be able to adjust their class schedules or make other changes; a minimum of 72 teachers may be hired by LEAs statewide.
- Based on statistics provided by the DOE for the number of teachers that the BEP formula and a DOE survey estimate on the number of teachers that would be needed statewide for all LEAs to implement this P.E. class schedule, it is estimated that half of the 72 teachers would be part-time (36) and that half would be full-time teachers (36).
- The average salary and benefits of a full-time P.E. teacher is estimated to be \$48,265 and \$30,273 for a part-time P.E. teacher.
- The permissive increase in local expenditures is estimated to be \$2,827,368 [(\$48,265 x 36) + (\$30,273 x 36)].

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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Jeffrey L. Spalding, Executive Director

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